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1. The divisional command unit consists of the staff, a staff company, and a security platoon. The divisional troops are:
 - a. An armored scouting battalion of 500-600 men, with one medium armored company (10 T-34 tanks); two motorcycle companies; one motorized antitank company (4 Russian 57 mm. antitank guns); one motorized infantry company.
 - b. An assault gun abteilung, with 5 batteries, each having four Russian model SU-85 assault guns; plus one for the abteilung commander. (These are modern weapons).
 - c. A howitzer abteilung, fully motorized and consisting of three batteries, each with four Russian 122 mm. howitzers.
 - d. An armored communications battalion, with three communications companies. The equipment is modern and good. There are five Watt, model R/9 radios. The men have been taught Russian in "forcing-house" courses so that the unit may operate under Russian command in case of war.
 - e. A motorized engineer battalion.
 - f. A motorized transport column. Its organization is not altogether clear, as it is not kept up to full strength while on the peace establishment.
 - g. An air scouting company, with three close scouting machines.
2. The troops of the armored division consist of three medium armored regiments, a motorized infantry regiment, a motorized antiaircraft regiment and a motorized mortar regiment.

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3. Armored regiments. Each has 65 model T-34/85 tanks. The old T-34's with the 76.2 mm gun have been turned over to the infantry divisions. Each regiment consists of: three armored battalions; one motorized infantry battalion; one motorized antiaircraft battery (automatic); one motorized transport column. The total strength of the medium armored regiment is 1,200 men. Each regiment has six armored scout cars. An armored battalion consists of two armored companies. A company is organized in three platoons, each with four tanks, one of which is for the platoon leader. The motorized infantry battalion consists of three companies, one antitank company (four 57 mm. antitank guns), and one mortar company (six 82 mm. mortars).
4. Motorized infantry regiment. The total strength of the regiment is 2,000 men. It is equipped with 280 cross-country cars (Geländeautos). The regiment has three motorized rifle battalions, one motorized mortar battalion, one antiaircraft company. A motorized rifle battalion consists of three rifle companies, one antitank company (four antitank guns, either 57 mm. or 76.2 mm), one mortar company (six 82 mm. mortars). The motorized mortar battalion has three mortar companies (all told twelve 82 mortars and six 120 mm. mortars). The antiaircraft company has nine Russian automatic antiaircraft guns, 37 mm.
5. Antiaircraft regiment. The antiaircraft regiment is also regarded as an antitank formation. It consists of one motorized antiaircraft abteilung (12 automatic A/A guns, 37 mm) and one heavy machine-gun company (12 heavy machine guns, 12.7 mm).
6. Motorized mortar regiment. This mortar unit is equipped with very mobile, fast and low-silhouette vehicles. It consists of two mortar battalions (each with eighteen 120 mm. mortars). The battalion has three companies, each company has three platoons; two mortars to a platoon.

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